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17 AMENDMENT A UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

18 In response to the Office action mailed on August 7, 2002 (hereinafter, the "Office
19 Action"), the Applicant submits this Amendment A and response.

20 In the Specification

21 In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)1(i)-(ii). please replace the paragraph in
22 the Specification at Page 2, lines 10-12 as follows:

23 Accordingly, there is a need for an improved data handling
24 mechanism for gaming systems that includes an internal data storage
25 device, such as a hard disk drive.

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